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APPROVAL OF LARGE-SCALE UNDP ASSISTANCE TO A PROJECT OF THE GOVERNMENT OF UGANDA

Project title and number:	Assistance to the Public Health Planning Unit (UGA/78/011)
Executing Agency:	World Health Organization (WHO)
Government co-operating agency:	Ministry of Health
Date of approval:	November 1978
Starting date for project operations:	January 1979
Duration:	Three years
Estimated value of the Government input expressed in US dollars:	$123 500 (in kind)
Estimated UNDP contribution:	$394 100
Source of UNDP financing:	Indicative Planning Figure (IPF)

I. Background

1. Lack of efficient machinery for Public Health Planning and Programming has often been claimed to be one of the main causes of inefficient management in public health administration. In realization of this claim, the Government of Uganda decided to set up a planning unit in the Ministry of Health during the third five-year planning period 1971/1972 - 1975/1976. This, however, did not materialize. The need for the unit was again strongly emphasized during the workshop on National Health Planning held in April/May 1976 and its implementation has been listed as one of the Ministry's priorities during the three-year Action Programme 1976/1977 to 1978/1979. UNDP was requested to provide assistance in terms of a health planning expert, fellowships and equipment, to help in the establishment of the unit.

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II. The project

2. The long-range objective of the project is to facilitate the formulation, execution and evaluation of health programmes and projects in Uganda.

3. The immediate objectives are to create and develop a planning and evaluation machinery and techniques and set up a system of assessing health programmes and monitoring and reviewing regularly the performance and prospects of such programmes.

4. UNDP will provide the services of an expert in health planning as well as fellowships and equipment required for the implementation of the project. The Government will provide the required services through the facilities of the Ministry of Health of the Government of Uganda.

5. The expenditure components of the UNDP contribution are as follows:

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Experts	300 700
Training	79 400
Equipment	11 000
Miscellaneous	3 000
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